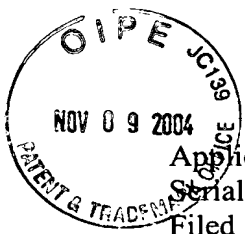


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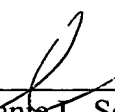
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Forms PTO-1449 (1 page) and cited references for filing in connection with the above-identified application. Because this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed prior to receipt of a first office action on the merits in the above-referenced application, no fee is due. However, should it be determined that a fee for filing these papers is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1050, as stated below:

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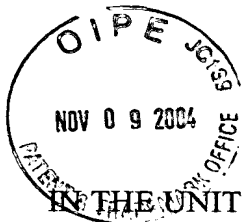
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IN
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Dear Sir:

Because this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the receipt of a First Office Action on the Merits for the above-captioned application, a fee for filing this statement should not be due. If, however, it is determined that a fee is due, any fees that may be due in connection with filing this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98. Forms PTO-1449 (1 page) and copies of the cited documents are provided herewith.

The documents cited on the Forms PTO-1449 are all in the English language. Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed items is necessary.

Further to the list provided in the communication filed on March 17, 2004, applicant also makes known to the Examiner the following pending U.S. and International Applications that have one or more common inventors and/or are commonly owned:

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the foregoing references and they be made of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

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